

TEXANS PROUD OF THEIR STATE FAIR

Different Policy Being Pursued by Management This Year.

\$80,000 IN PREMIUMS.

Features That Stand For Best in Recreation and in Education Only Are Considered.

Dallas.—Go to Fair Park and you will be impressed with the magnitude of the work now under way in preparation for the twenty-ninth annual meeting of the State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, Oct. 17, and continues sixteen days.

You will see that the "Different Fair" policy of the management this year is being carried out in every detail. You will find that the deadweight stuff of previous years has been eliminated and in its place the very latest in features that stand for recreation and for education installed.

Texans are proud of their State Fair and they have a right to be. No other institution in America is so splendidly equipped in grounds and permanent buildings or in conveniences that add to the comfort of those in attendance at each meeting.

Prizes the Richest.

Furthermore there is no other fair on the American continent that offers richer and more generous prizes with the possible exception of one than the State Fair of Texas.

The catalogues for the 1914 meeting list prizes amounting in the aggregate to \$75,000. Added to this are specials and trophies bringing the grand total up to \$80,000.

The demand for space is unprecedented. Secretary W. H. Stratton reports more exhibitors signed up than ever before at this time. With rose crop prospects there should be big crowds at the fair.

Superb Park Improvements.

Thousands of dollars are being expended this year in park improvements. Roadways are being widened, improvements are being made in all public buildings, new and ornamental drinking fountains are being placed in various sections of the grounds, new sidewalks are being built and hundreds of other improvements being made.

It will be a million-dollar enterprise. The grounds and buildings alone are worth twice that amount. The exhibits of industrial arts, fine arts, livestock, implements, vehicles and machinery, automobiles, amusement enterprises in intrinsic value will reach a sum that is staggering to conceive.

Prominent Men at Helm.

Those at the helm of affairs are all men of prominence, builders of Dallas and of Texas, men vitally interested in the success and the betterment of every industry in the state. They are as follows: W. I. Yopp, president; Royal A. Ferris, first vice president; Edgar L. Flippen, second vice president; J. B. Adoue, treasurer; W. H. Stratton, secretary. Directors: E. J. Kiest, William Doran, E. M. Kahn, A. A. Jackson, H. A. Olmsted, J. C. Duke, J. B. Kendall, R. E. L. Knight, J. J. Eckford, S. I. Munger, John N. Simpson, Louis Lipsitz, S. T. Morgan, F. F. Shiley, Alex. Sanger, W. H. Gaston, R. A. Ferris, Edgar L. Flippen and W. I. Yopp.

A. AND M. WILL HAVE SPLENDID EXHIBIT.

Latest Answers Obtainable on Different Farm Topics.

Dallas.—When a farmer visits the 1914 State Fair of Texas, Oct. 17, Nov. 1, he should go to that found of good, practical information, the exhibit booth of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, where he will find the latest answers obtainable on different farm topics.

If a problem presents itself in the way of plant disease he can ascertain the proper ways of treatment. He will also find samples of adulterated seeds and how to guard against them.

The work of the students of the college will be illustrated in all its various details. Photographs of the experimental work in progress will be shown. The proper methods of keeping dairy records will be exhibited, and there will be charts showing the relative value and cost of different rations, the qualities to be sought in building up a good dairy herd, the comparative value of milk with other foods, and the milk and butter fat production of some of the college cows.

Results of investigation work in experimental agronomy, such as the yielding power of different varieties of corn and oats and diversified farm, will be of unusual interest.

The right and wrong methods of pruning, grafting, the proper method of training young trees and vines, these all will be shown.

It is the most important exhibit ever assembled by the college for the State Fair.

MILK TESTING CONTEST.

Students of A. and M. College Will Show Expertness at Coming Fair.

Dallas.—When the students of the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas gather at the 1914 State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, October 17, there is going to be some real milk testing demonstrations and students' judging contests. Already a good-natured rivalry is in evidence, and although the cash premiums are not so large, the honor of winning first is what really appeals to those who will take part.

Milk will be tested for added water, added skim milk preservatives, and butter will be tested for moisture, salts and the presence of other fats than butter fats. Cash prizes totaling \$70 will be awarded in the judging contests which will consist of judging two classes of dairy products.

Factory Exhibits at Fair.

Dallas.—Miniature factories in operation promise to be one of the big features of the 1914 meeting of State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, October 17, and continues sixteen days. S. I. Munger, director of this department of the State Fair, has already closed negotiations for a thread manufacturing plant exhibit, as well as various other industrial plant representations. It is especially planned to show the handling of cotton, from the field to the gin and thence to the mill, an exhibit that will deal with the importance of developing the cotton manufacturing industry of Texas.

FEATURE BILL SECURED.

Four Bands, 160 Musicians, Will Furnish Music at Coming State Fair.

Dallas.—An all-star bill for the Coliseum program at the 1914 State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, October 17, is announced by the management. No effort or expense has been spared to secure the best in the world of music, the real of song and the sphere of sensations for the entertainment of visitors this year.

Four bands, the Don Philipini Concert Band of fifty musicians, Ewing's Zouave Band, the Paul Harris Band and Victor Eslick's organization, an aggregation of 160 musicians and instrumental soloists, will furnish music galore.

Among the special attractions are: Madam Susanna Lehman, world famous vocalist; the Wirth Family, acknowledged to be the greatest of all equestrians; Power's Educated Elephants for seven years a New York Hippodrome act, including the baby elephant "Baby Mine" handled by Julia Powers; the Four Castors, an acrobatic act; the Tasmanian Van Diemens, six young ladies acknowledged to be the greatest dancers in vaudeville; Ramza & Arno, comedy act; the Real Quartet, and a big spectacular dancing act with twenty young ladies participating.

All this will be given in the Coliseum for the entertainment of State Fair visitors.



HON. WILLIAM I. YOPP.
President of the State Fair of Texas.

W. I. Yopp, prominent in the cotton seed oil business of the state, and for years director in charge of the livestock department of the State Fair of Texas, is directing the destinies of the 1914 meeting which begins Saturday, October 17. To Mr. Yopp is due largely the change in policy this year which is resulting in a "Different Fair," not only in exhibits but in entertainment and amusement features.

DISPLAY OF FINE ARTS.

Julian Onderdonk in New York Selecting American Masterpieces.

Dallas.—There is now in New York a prominent artist, Julian Onderdonk, by name, who is visiting the studios of the greatest American artists, selecting the very best of their paintings to be shown at the 1914 State Fair of Texas, which begins Saturday, October 17. A collection of more than one hundred masterpieces, marine, landscapes, portraits, still life subjects, worth a quarter of a million dollars, will be shown in the magnificent fine arts hall, one of the show places of the South.

Visitors of last year will recall the wonderful popularity the loan art collection enjoyed. Visitors from New York, Chicago and Philadelphia declared that they had never seen so noteworthy a collection in their respective cities.

This fine arts exhibit is to give the art students of Texas and the art lovers of Texas an opportunity of seeing the best in American art, without being forced to go thousands of miles to accomplish this purpose. Hence its popularity.

BOY CORN GROWERS.

Will Exhibit at State Fair For \$800 in Prizes.

Dallas.—To the Texas boy who grows corn the knowledge that he has a chance at a good share of \$800 in prizes offered at the 1914 State Fair of Texas—October 17 to November 1—is an inspiration that makes him work all the harder under the scientific direction of the United States Department of Agriculture and the State Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Hundreds of them are busy in every section of the state preparing for this year's club contests. They have all the benefits of last year's contest to start with and some of the heaviest acreage yields in years are reports. The boys have learned that co-operation in securing the best seed, in studying the best methods of selecting seed and in caring for the crop, is a long way towards success.

And the girls of Texas are just as busy canning tomatoes, peaches, jellies and other products, to be entered in the contest for \$600 in prizes.

When they all are here at their day at the coming fair, which is Saturday, October 24, checks covering all prize winnings of the club contests will be paid them. That's better than waiting until after the fair is over.

PARADE AT STATE FAIR.

Daily Panorama of Amusement and Entertainment Features Provided For.

Dallas, Texas.—If Secretary W. H. Stratton of the State Fair of Texas carries out his present plan, visitors in attendance at the 1914 meeting, which begins Saturday, October 17, will be given a complete panorama of the amusement and entertainment features at the coming exposition in the form of a big daily parade, which will begin with Press Day, Monday, October 19. Elephants, camels, Arabian horses, rough riders of Asia and of the Far West, a congress of nations never before shown at the State Fair, gives ample material to utilize in this big daily feature.

The opening day of the twenty-ninth annual meeting will be featured by a civic parade in which all the various departments of the city of Dallas, police, fire, health, etc., will be represented. Immediately following this parade Governor Colquitt, his staff, city, park board and fair officials, will assemble at Fair Park to formally open this greatest of all fairs.

Mayor W. M. Holland of Dallas announces that the parade will begin promptly at 9:30 a. m.

Old, but Able.

Enrico Dandolo was not elected doge of Venice until he was eighty-two years old, and he still retained the fire and vigor of his youth. He assaulted and took the city of Constantinople when he was ninety-two years old, himself displaying the gonfalon of St. Mark and animating his followers to the charge. Villars, the French general, in his eighty-fourth year, when crippled with wounds and disease, led a cavalry charge with the same light hearted contempt for danger displayed by him in his youth. The men who won distinction in high command during the mutiny against the English in India in 1857-8 were all of them well advanced in years. Sir Colin Campbell, the commander in chief, was sixty-five; Havelock was sixty-two, Sir Hugh Rose fifty-seven and Sir James Outram fifty-four. They stood the fatigue of field service in a tropical climate, with the thermometer at from 110 degrees to 119 degrees in the shade, as well as younger men.—London Answers.

Conversation and Talk.

In the fall of 1909 a wandering British philosopher who hailed from the University of Cambridge was a guest at various American colleges, and after he had gone back to his own place he published in a Cambridge review his opinion that "in America there is, broadly speaking, no culture. There is instruction; there is research; there is technical and professional training; there is specialization in science and in industry; there is every possible application of life to purposes and ends, but there is no life for its own sake." And he declared that "you will find, if you travel long in America, that you are suffering from a kind of trophy You will not at first realize what it means, but suddenly it will flash upon you that you are suffering from lack of conversation. You do not converse; you cannot; you can only talk."—"Concerning Conversation," by Brander Matthews in Scribner's.

One of New York's Show Places.

The collector's office at the custom house is one of the show places of New York city. His ornate room was decorated from designs by Cass Gilbert, who drew the plans for the custom house, and Will Guernsey. This high ceilings apartment, with its oak paneling, mural paintings of Dutch ships and Colonial scenes, and its great fireplace, cost upward of \$25,000. The ceiling of raised gold figures on a purple ground is a copy of an old Italian ceiling, with original figures, such as fish, tridents, boats and other appropriate subjects. The big fireplace, with wide hearth and high mantel shelf, is of gray stone. Below the shelf is inscribed the history of the first custom house, which stood on this spot.—New York Sun.

Fishing Snakes.

While fishing in the Fort St. George moat, at Madras, a correspondent of Country Life saw a snake fifteen inches long come out of the water with a fish in its mouth. On catching sight of the writer it dropped the fish and boited, leaving the fish on the bank alive. On another occasion, while fishing in a reservoir near Ghazabad, he again saw a snake emerging from the water with a fish in its mouth. This snake was about twenty-four inches long, and on killing it he was able to identify the fish as a common species of Indian fresh water fish. Later on he saw a viper, nearly four feet long, lying in shallow water. The writer hooked it ashore with his tackle, upon which the snake attacked him, leaving a large yellow fang in his fishing rod.

Privileges of London.

London still retains its picturesque ancient rights and privileges, and as an instance it may be mentioned that whenever the ruling monarch pays a formal or state visit to the city it is customary for the lord mayor and sheriffs to meet the sovereign at the boundary of the ancient city, where he will enter. A sword is extended to the king (implying that permission to enter is given), who touches it and returns it to the mayor. By ancient right, upon the decease of the sovereign and until the proclamation of the new monarch, the lord mayor is nominal head of the state, with full authority and powers.

England's Great Aquarium.

The aquarium at Brighton, England, is one of the largest and most beautiful aquaria in Europe. It is operated with annexes, like a theater and restaurant, but the place is admirably maintained and during the summer is one of the attractions of the English watering place.

Unfair Advantage.

"Your valet went on strike, did he? I hope you did not accede to his demands?"

"I'm on my life, I had to, old chap. The cunning creature actually threatened to leave me one morning when I was half dressed."—London Opinion.

A Trying Position.

"This is going to put me in a very trying position," he muttered. "What, my dear?" she asked. "I have been summoned to serve on a jury."—London Telegraph.

Nettle and Bee.

Little Bertie had just been stung by a nettle. "Mother," he asked, "if a bee settled on a nettle would the bee sting the nettle or would the nettle sting the bee?"

Galvanized Iron.

Galvanized iron is merely iron dipped in molten zinc. The coating is not electrically applied, as the word galvanized seems to imply.

A. O. U. W. LODGE BOON TO BRYAN

Thousands Have Been Paid to Widows and Orphans in Bryan Vicinity.

The Ancient Order of United Workmen, a fraternal insurance order and probably the oldest order of its kind doing business in Texas today, was never in a better condition, we are told, than at the present time.

The local lodge, Vulcan No. 37, has been organized and serving a good purpose now about forty years and has paid to beneficiaries in Bryan about \$15,000 more than it has received in assessments since its organization. At a recent meeting of the Grand

Lodge of Texas the rates for new members were changed, allowing old members a reduction and accepting women on the same basis as men.

The lodge is prompt in making settlements as will be noted in the following claims:

J. F. Parks joined June 2, 1887, died July 1, 1914.

Jac. B. Mike joined December 27, 1888, died July 11, 1914.

Each of the above warrants for \$2000.00 each have been paid to beneficiaries making a grand total to-date paid to widows and orphans of Bryan \$156,586.25. The amount paid into the beneficiary fund of the grand lodge by the local lodge, a grand total of \$111,063.13.

That the rates have been lowered on old members and women have been permitted to become members on the same basis as men will no doubt make this old order even more popular and serviceable in the future than in the past.

AUG. 8TH IN HISTORY.

1854—Preparations were made for the siege of Rome; the French were landing troops at Aland, south of the besieged city.

1864—So many men of Chicago and the State of Illinois were being recruited by agents for other States that Governor Yates issued an order barring such agents.

1884—The bodies of those who died in the Greely expedition were received at Governor's Island, N. Y., with military honors.

1894—Japan protested against the delivery to China of 10,000,000 rifle cartridges by an American firm.

Creek, Cal., caused a railroad wreck in which 76 persons were killed and many injured.

1912—The President's palace in Hayti blew up, killing President Leconte and others.

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